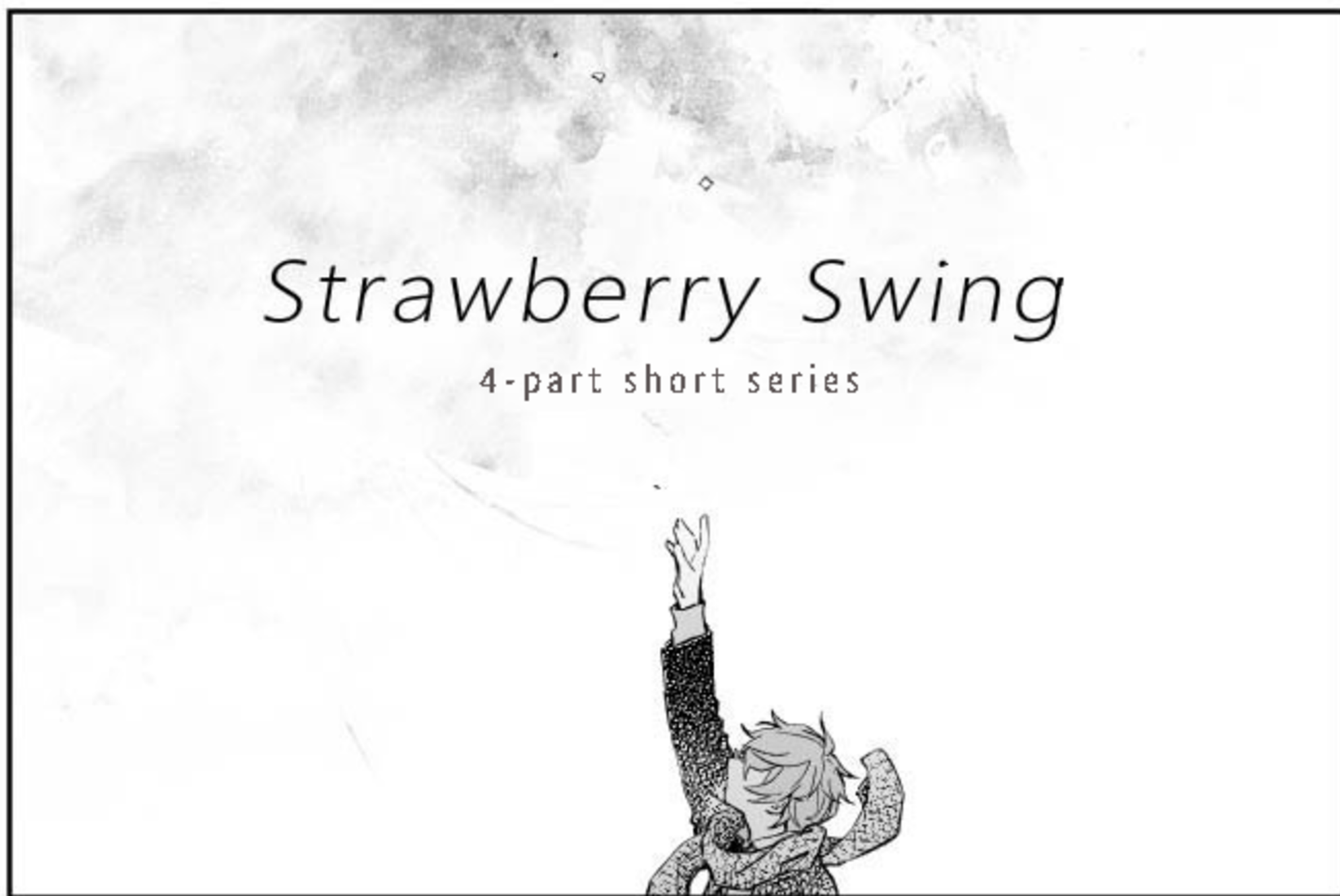




Strawberry Swing

4-part short series



The background is a collage of four anime-style illustrations from the series Strawberry Swing. Top-left: A boy with orange hair and a yellow jacket stands on a blue staircase, looking back over his shoulder while carrying a guitar case. Top-right: A boy with pink hair in a red jacket and white shirt stands in a hallway, looking to the side with a guitar case on his back. Bottom-left: A girl with blonde hair in a red jacket sits on a blue bench, looking down at a smartphone. Bottom-right: A boy with blonde hair in a black shirt sits on a bench, looking at a guitar case, with a girl in a white shirt standing behind him. The text 'PLEASE READ' is centered in the top half.

PLEASE READ

The STRAWBERRY SWING extras are a compilation of FOUR bonus short chapters which were included with the four volumes of the GIVEN ANIME Blu-ray/DVDs.

The author created it as 'part C' or 'Episode 12' of the anime.

This is not from the ongoing volume of the manga.

Thank you!

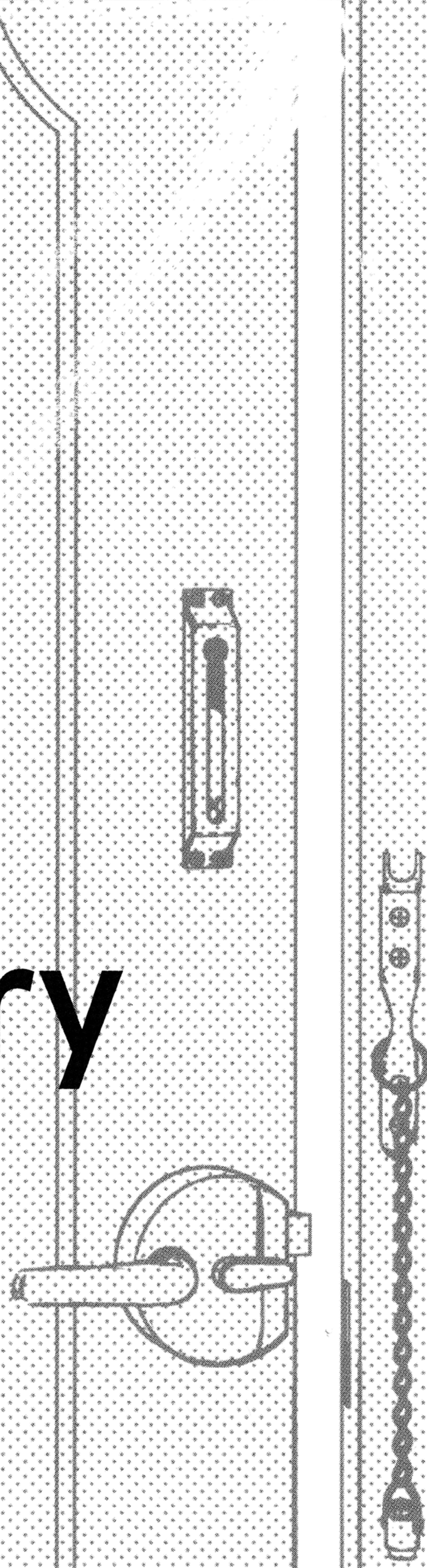
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I want to sing more by your side.

Playing the guitar, enjoying basketball — things that used to excite him do not anymore, as Ritsuka Uenoyama feels his life becoming monotonous. One day, he accidentally meets Mafuyu Sato. Mafuyu's songs stroke his heart and reminded him of a passion for music which he had almost lost during his boring school days. The relationship between the two starts to change.

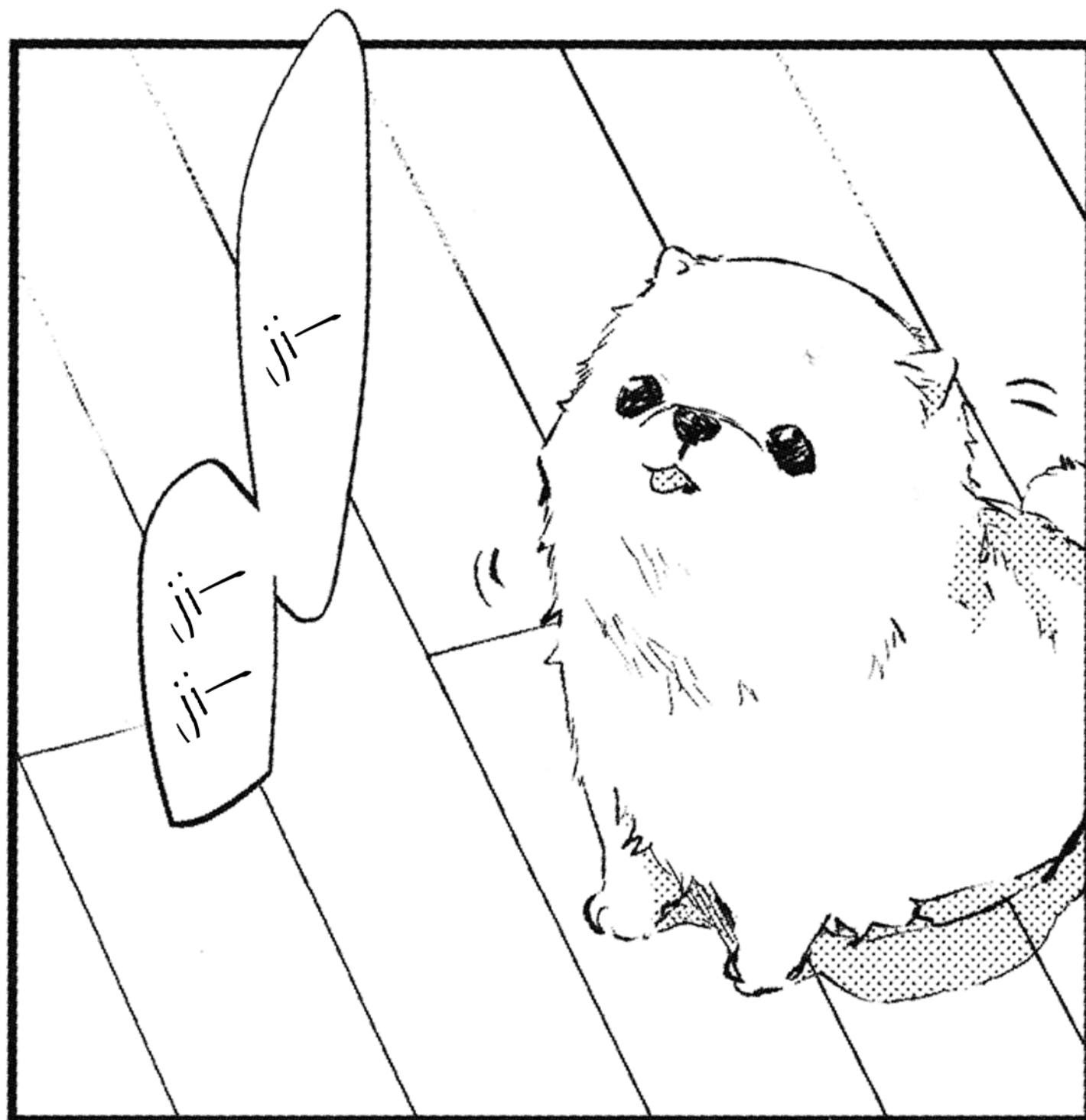
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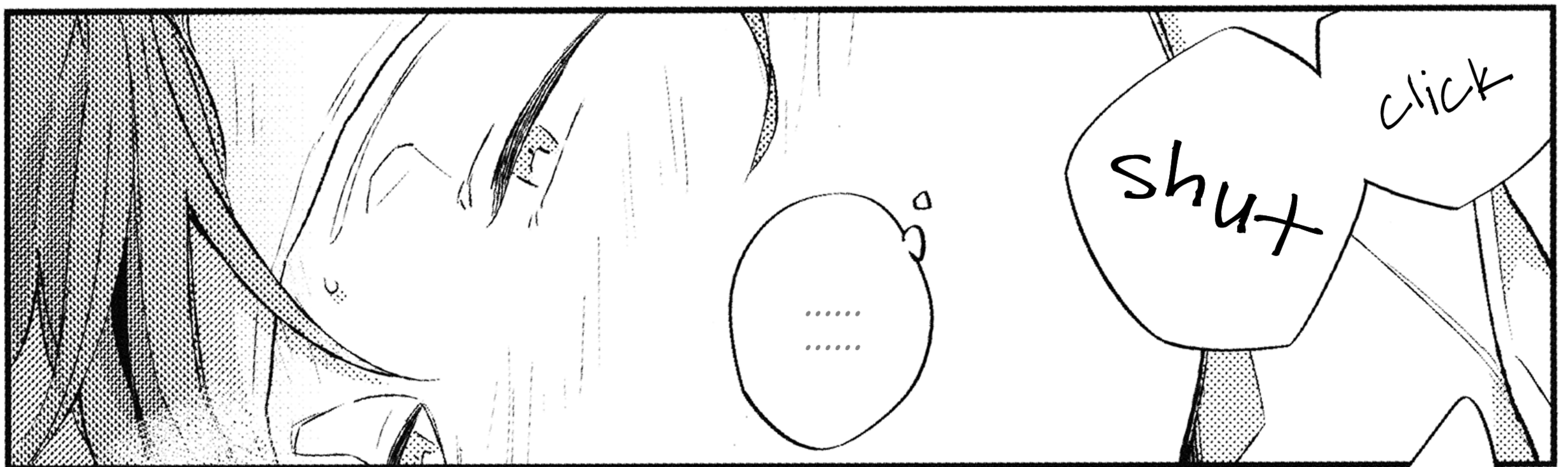
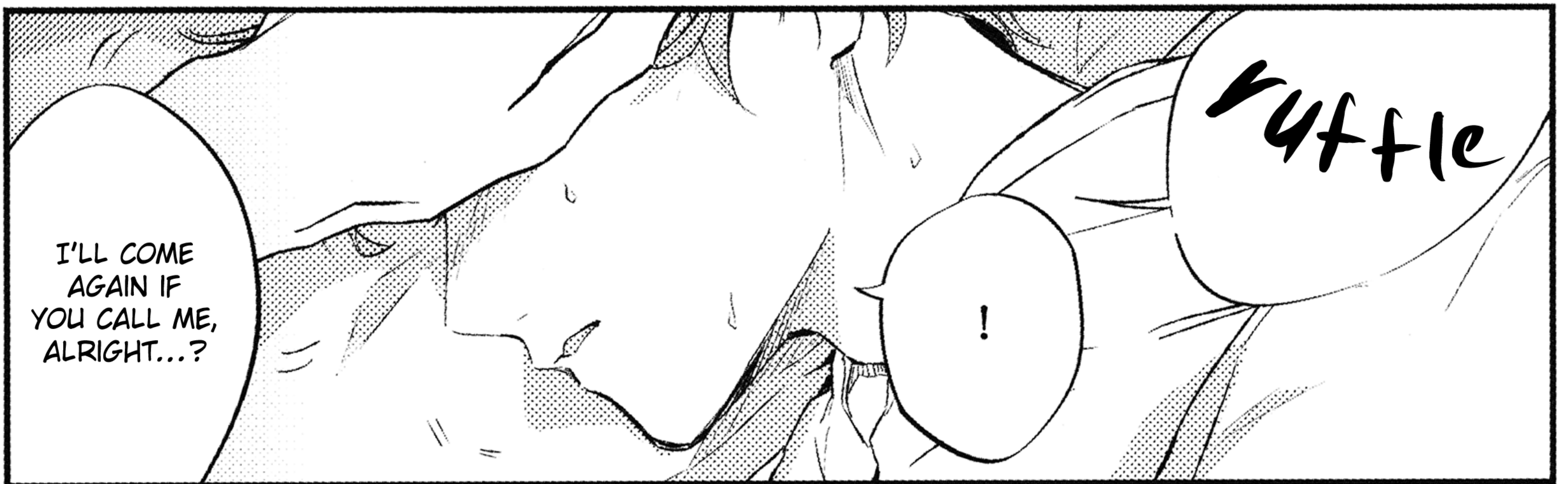
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*I want to
write a
different
song the
next time.*





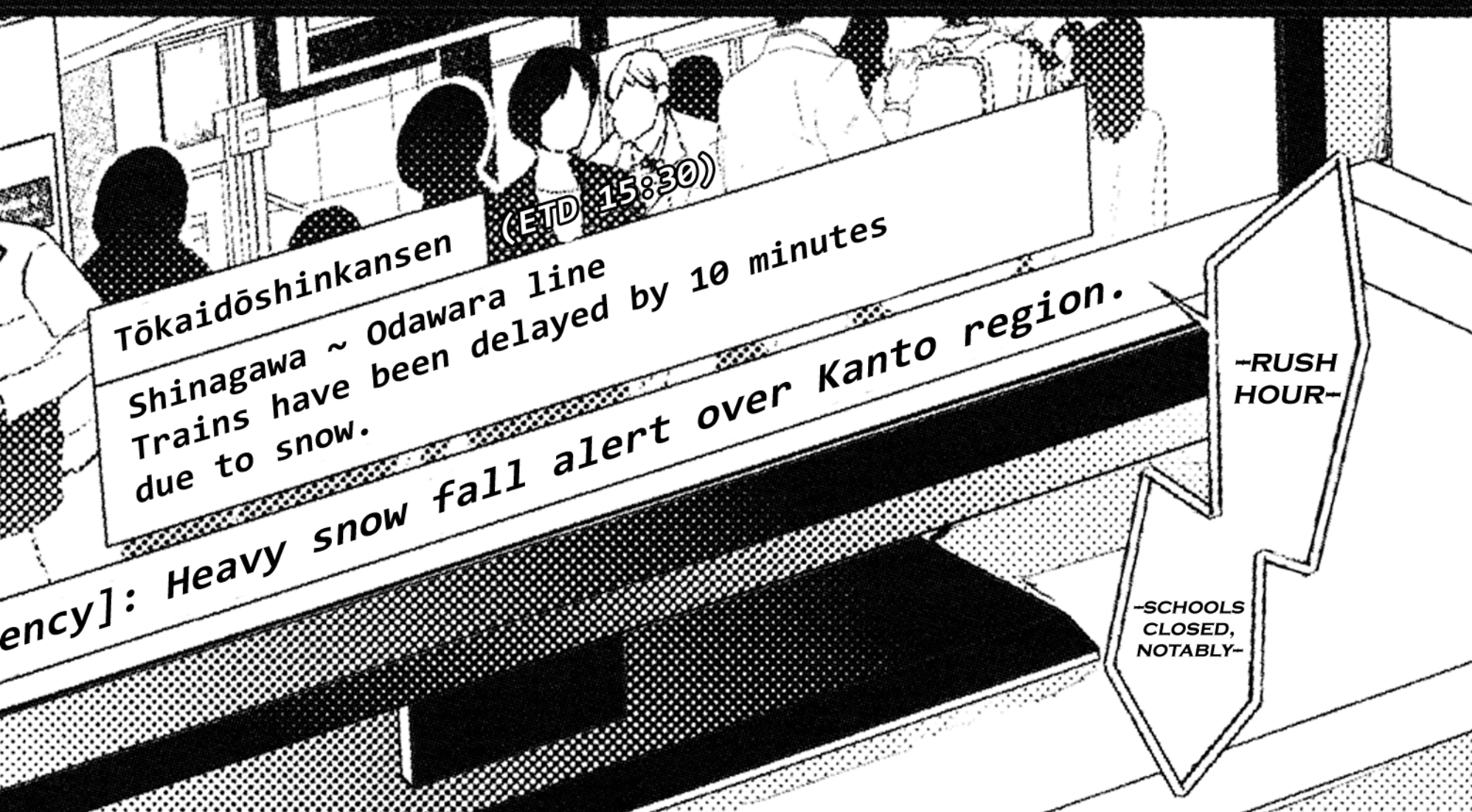


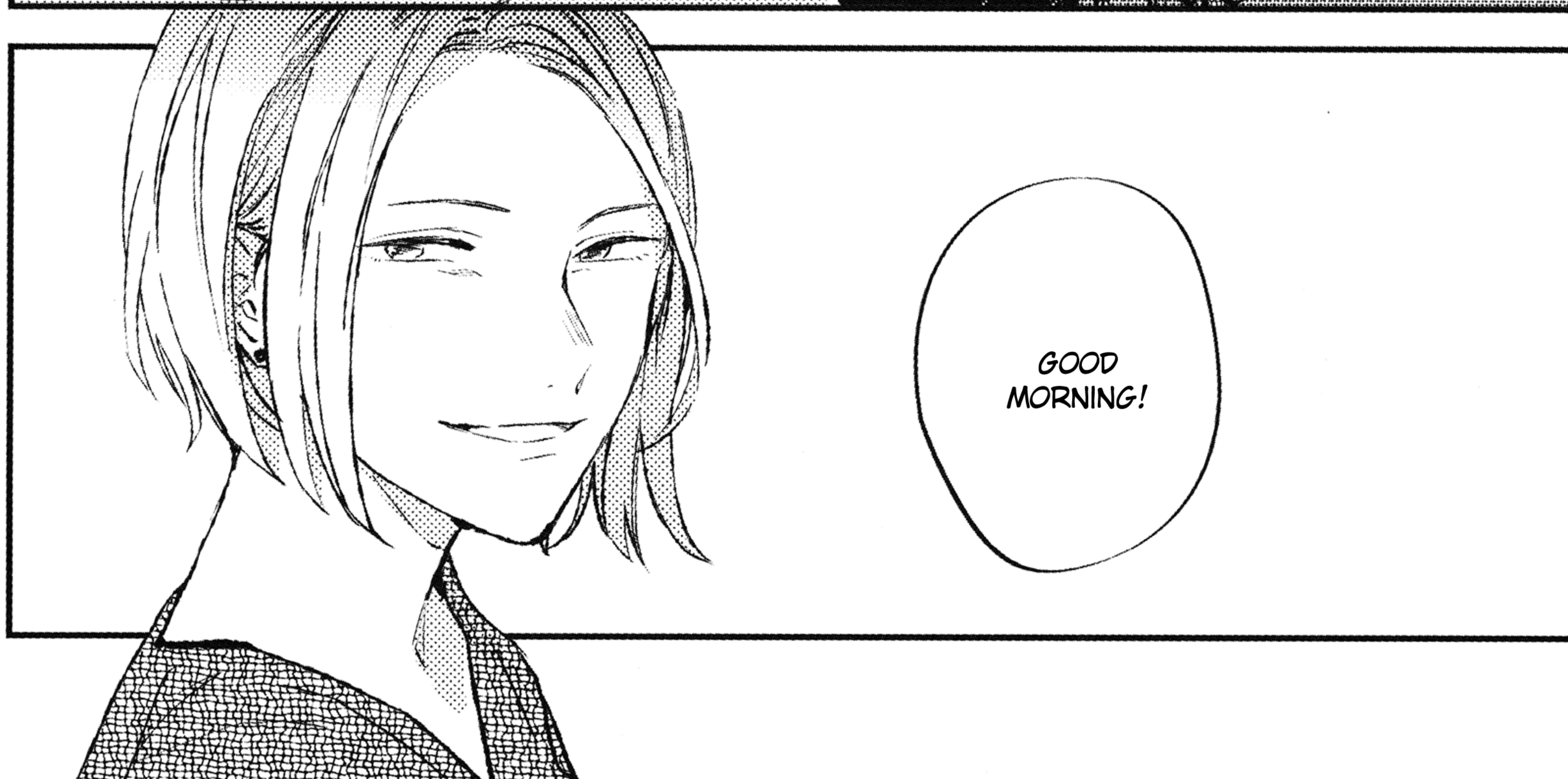
Shut



—OVER
VARIOUS
PARTS OF
THE KANTO
REGION
TODAY—

—DUE
TO CON-
CERNS OF
HEAVY
SNOW—







“GIVEN” -ORIGINAL COMIC

I want to sing more by your side.

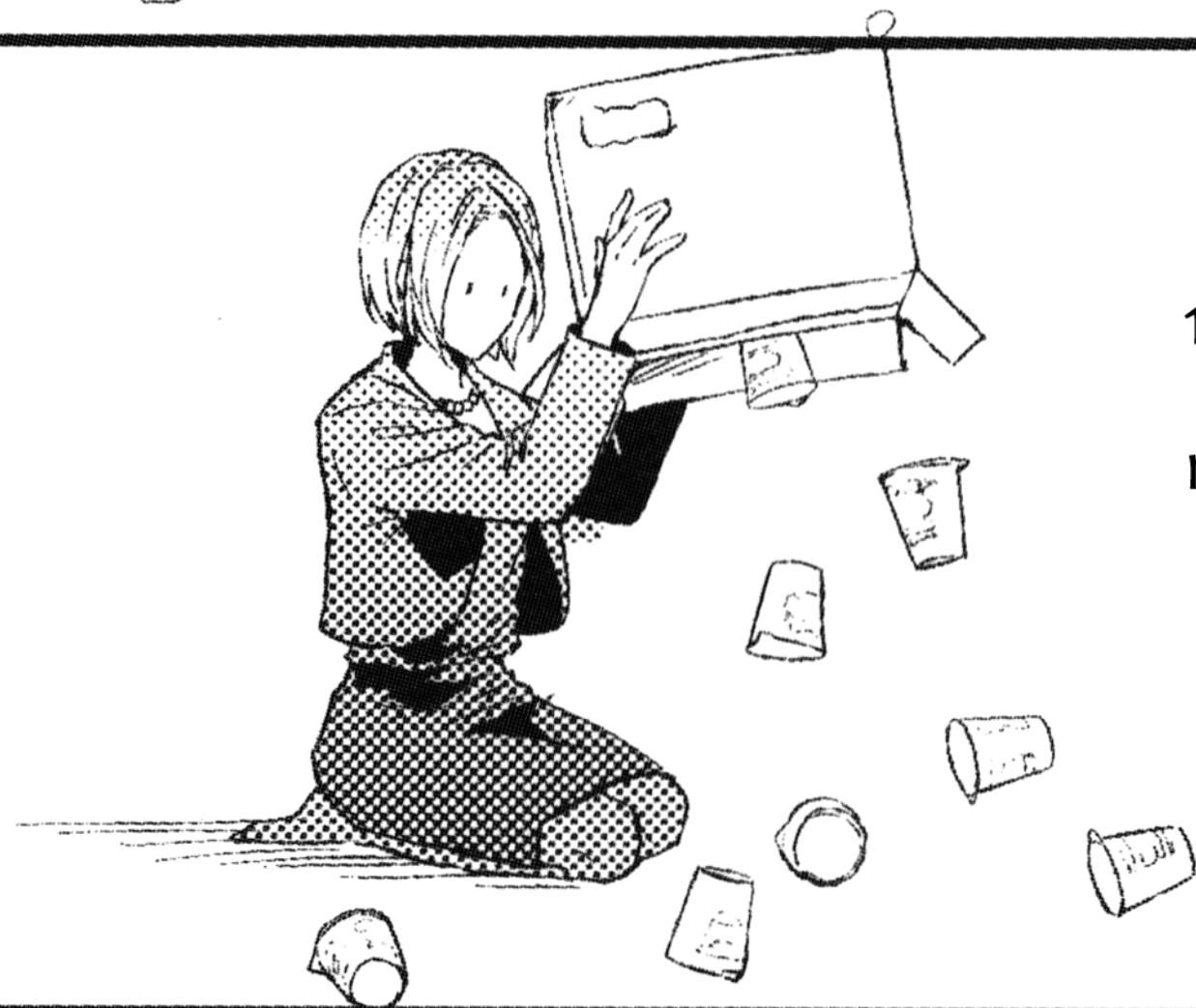
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“Strawberry Swing” #02

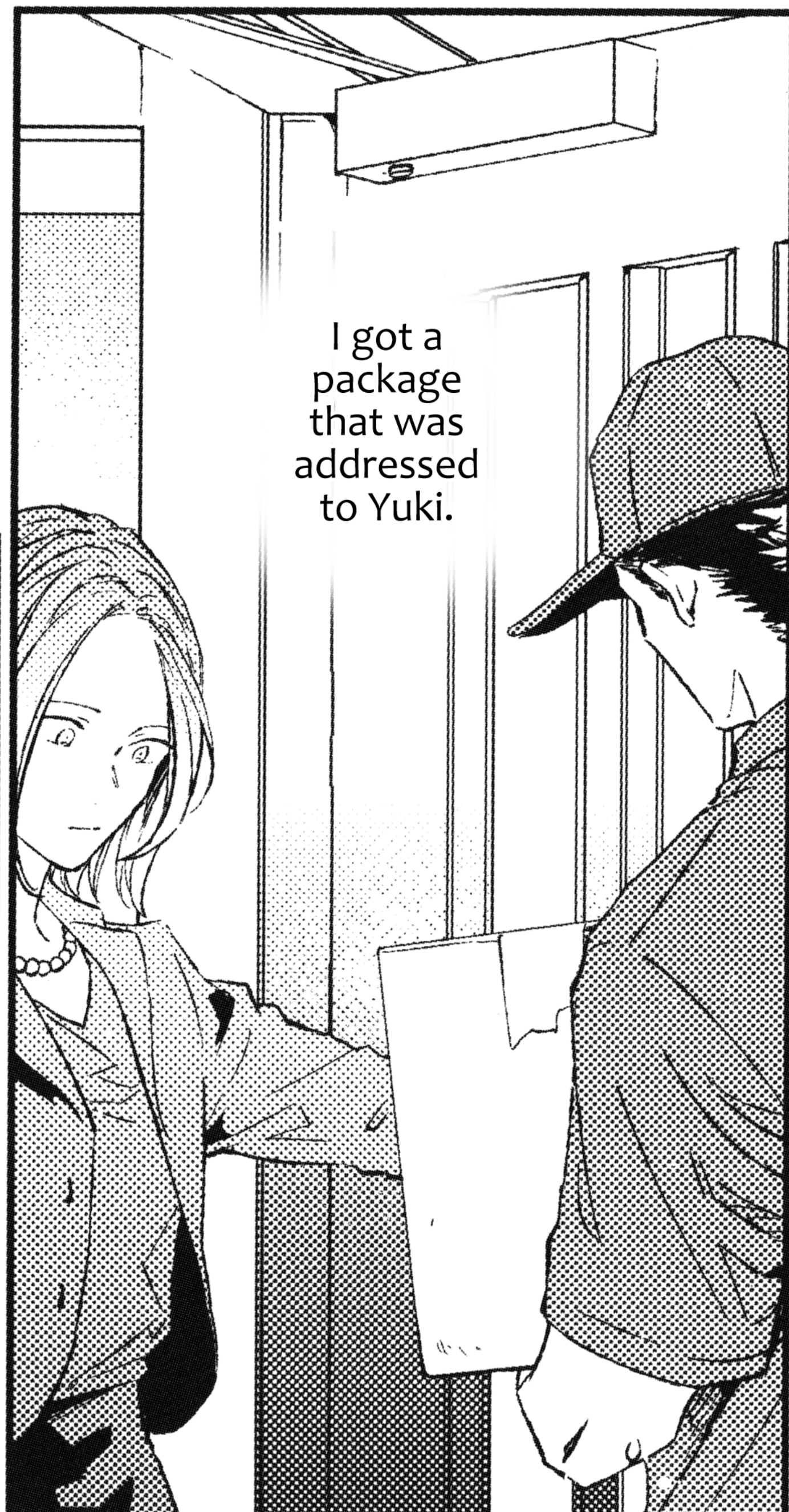


HEY—
LISTEN
TO THIS!

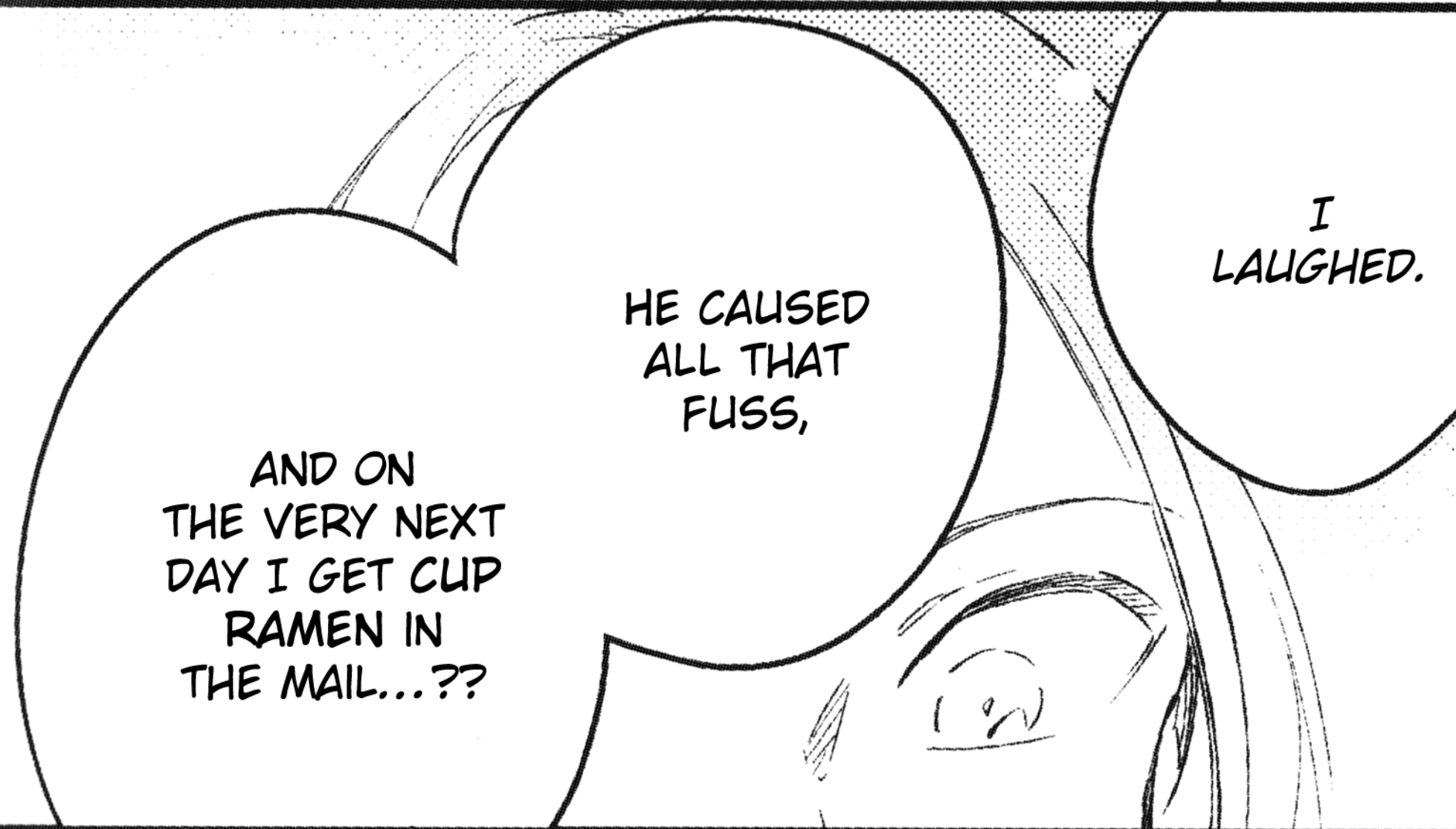
Y'KNOW,
THE DAY AFTER
THAT CHILD
DIED...



It was a
12-pack box
of cup
ramen he'd
placed an
order for.



I got a
package
that was
addressed
to Yuki.



I
LAUGHED.

HE CAUSED
ALL THAT
FUSS,

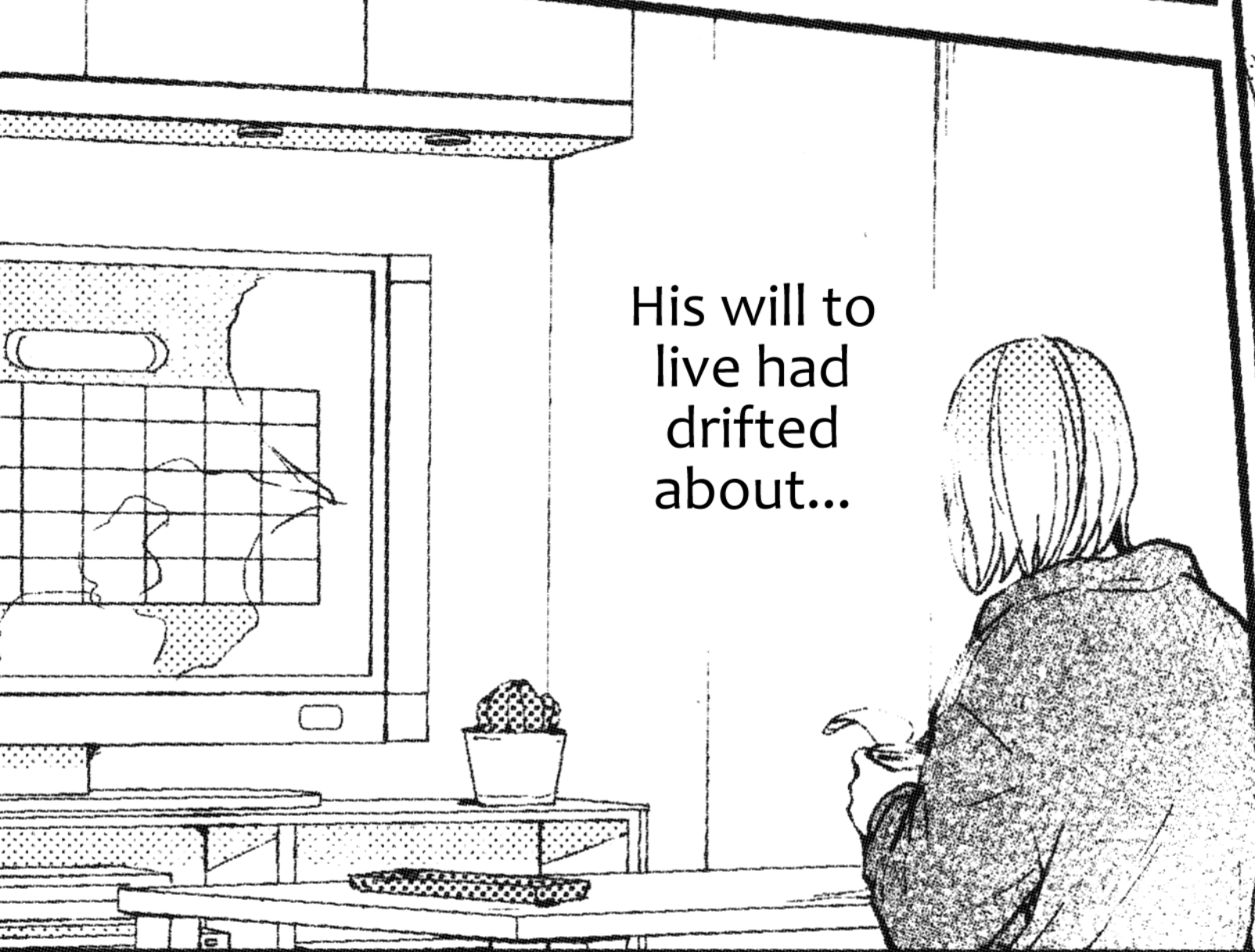
AND ON
THE VERY NEXT
DAY I GET CUP
RAMEN IN
THE MAIL...??



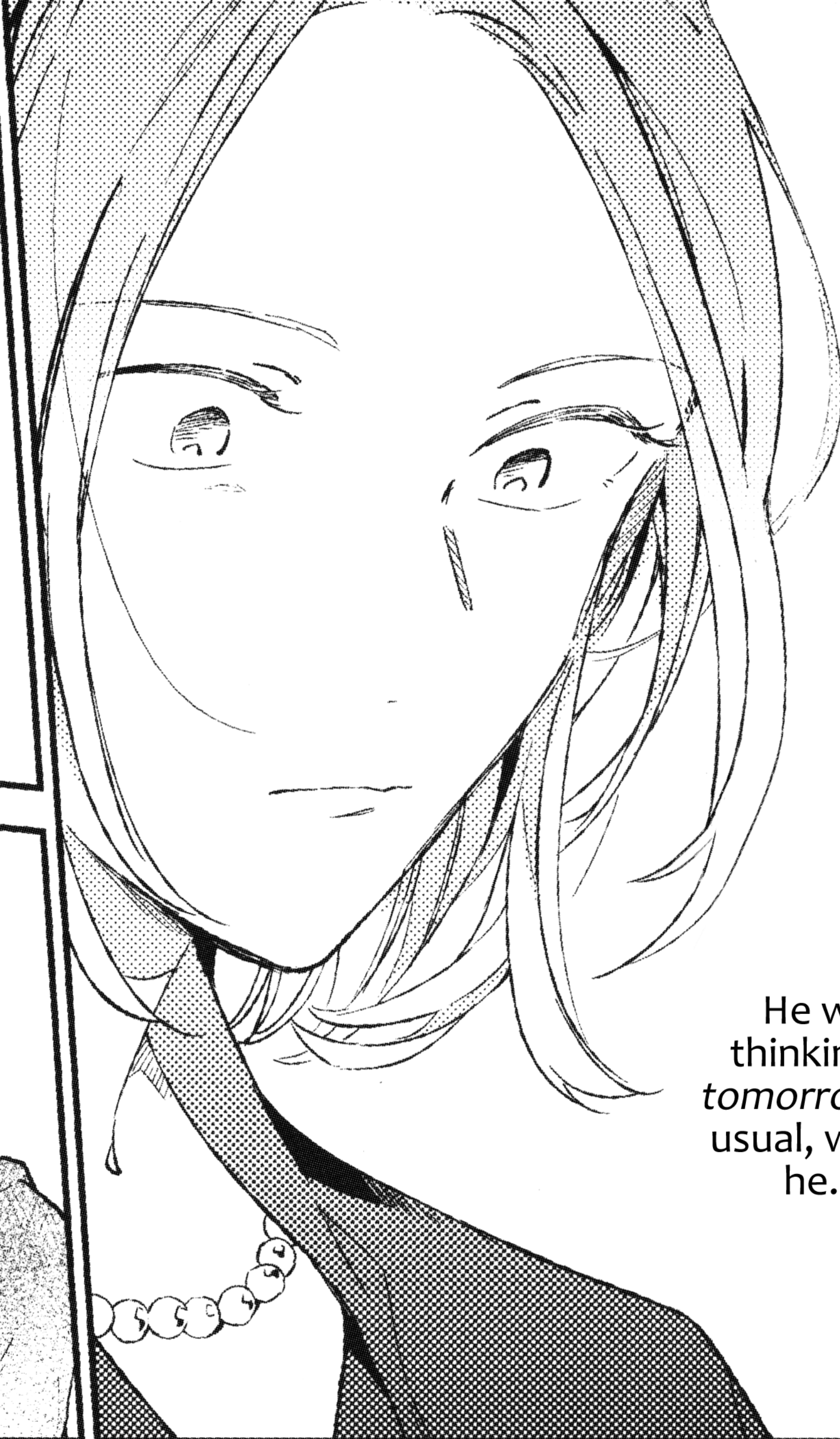
WHAT,
SO...



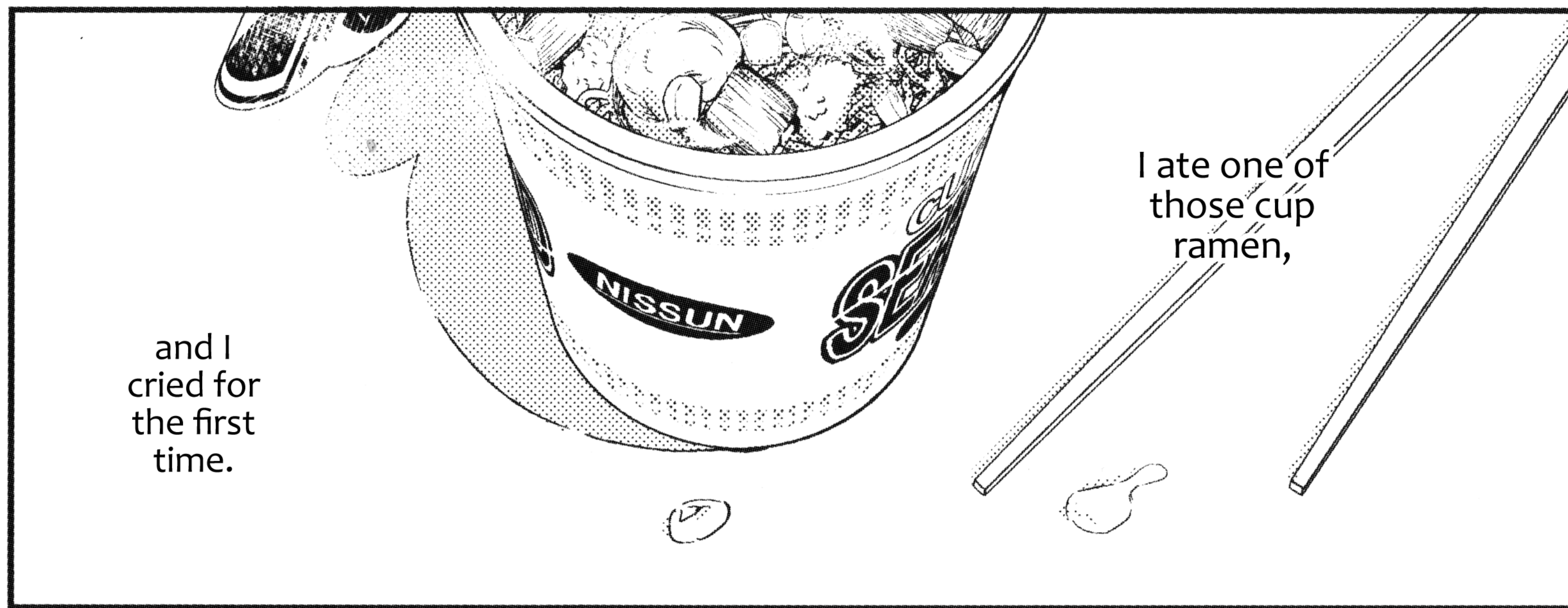
Back then,
same as
always...



His will to
live had
drifted
about...



He was
thinking of
tomorrow like
usual, wasn't
he...



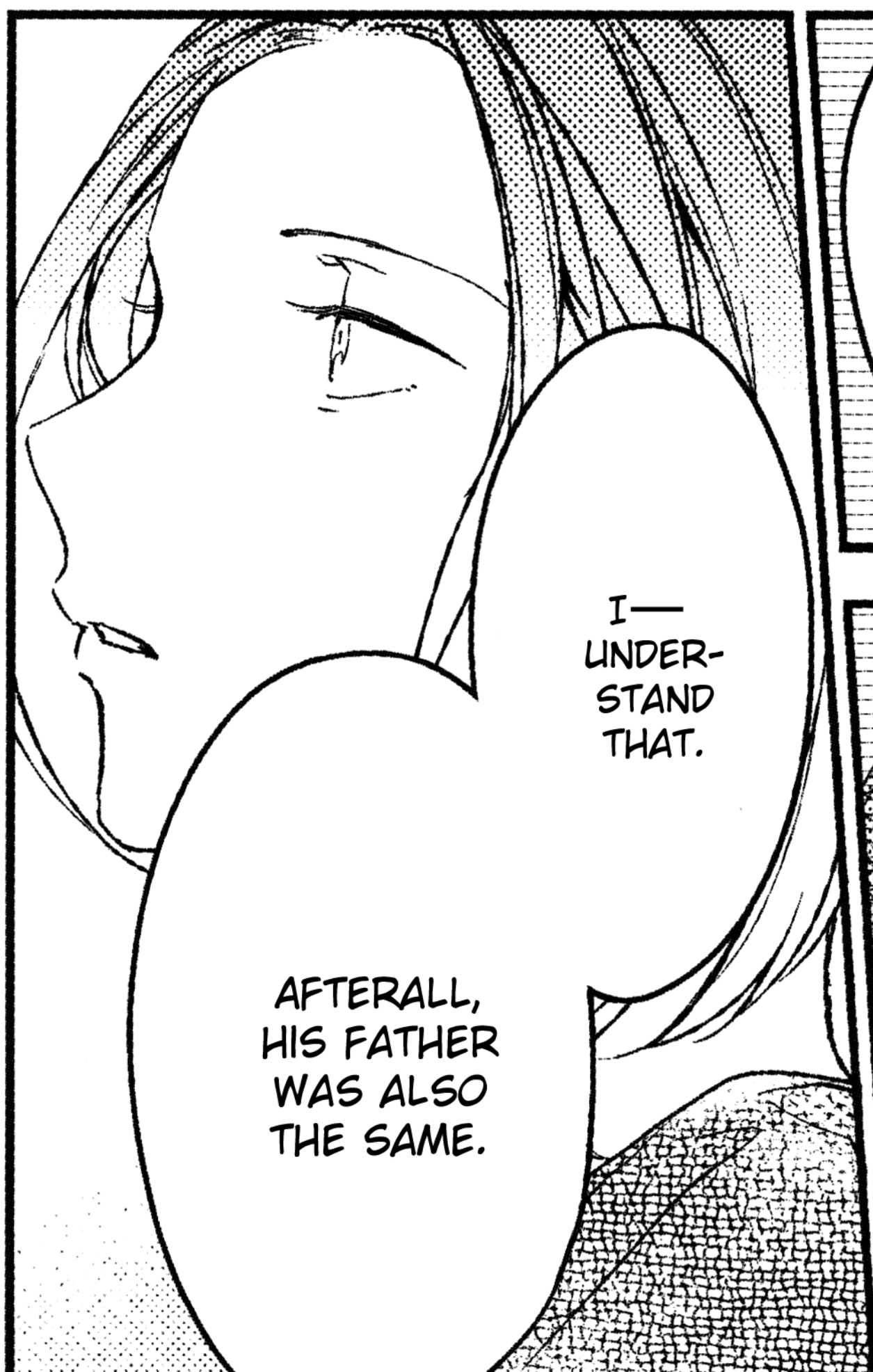
and I
cried for
the first
time.

I ate one of
those cup
ramen,



THE TYPE TO
DIE IN A TYPICAL
CHICKEN-RACE*.

YUKI HAD
ALWAYS
BEEN...



I—
UNDER-
STAND
THAT.

AFTERALL,
HIS FATHER
WAS ALSO
THE SAME.

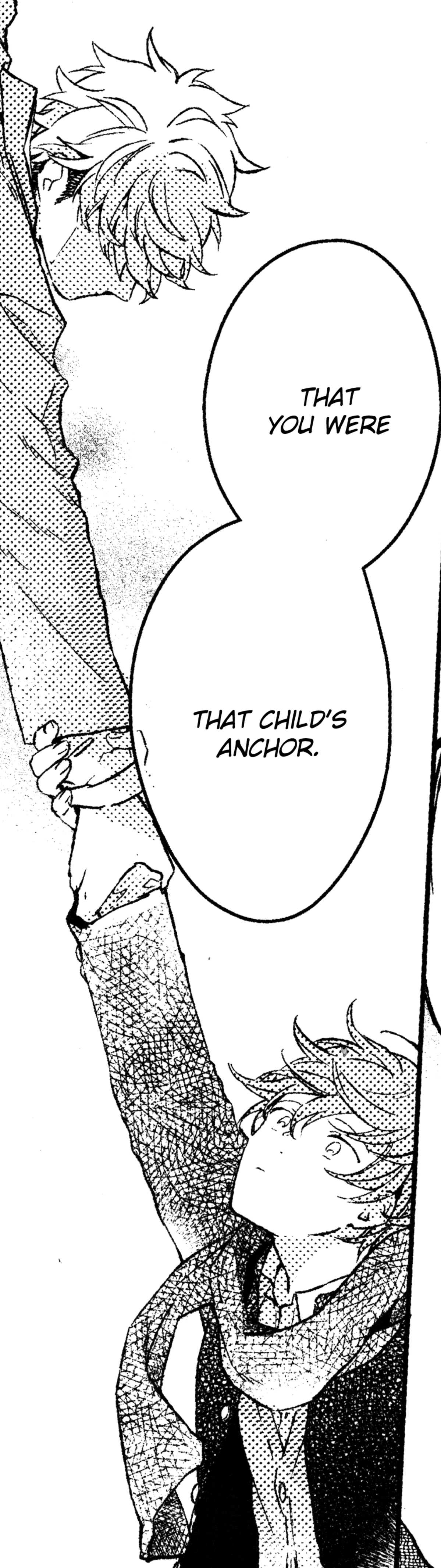


IT'S NOT
ABOUT...



STUFF
THAT HAPPENED
VERY RECENTLY
OR SOMETHING...

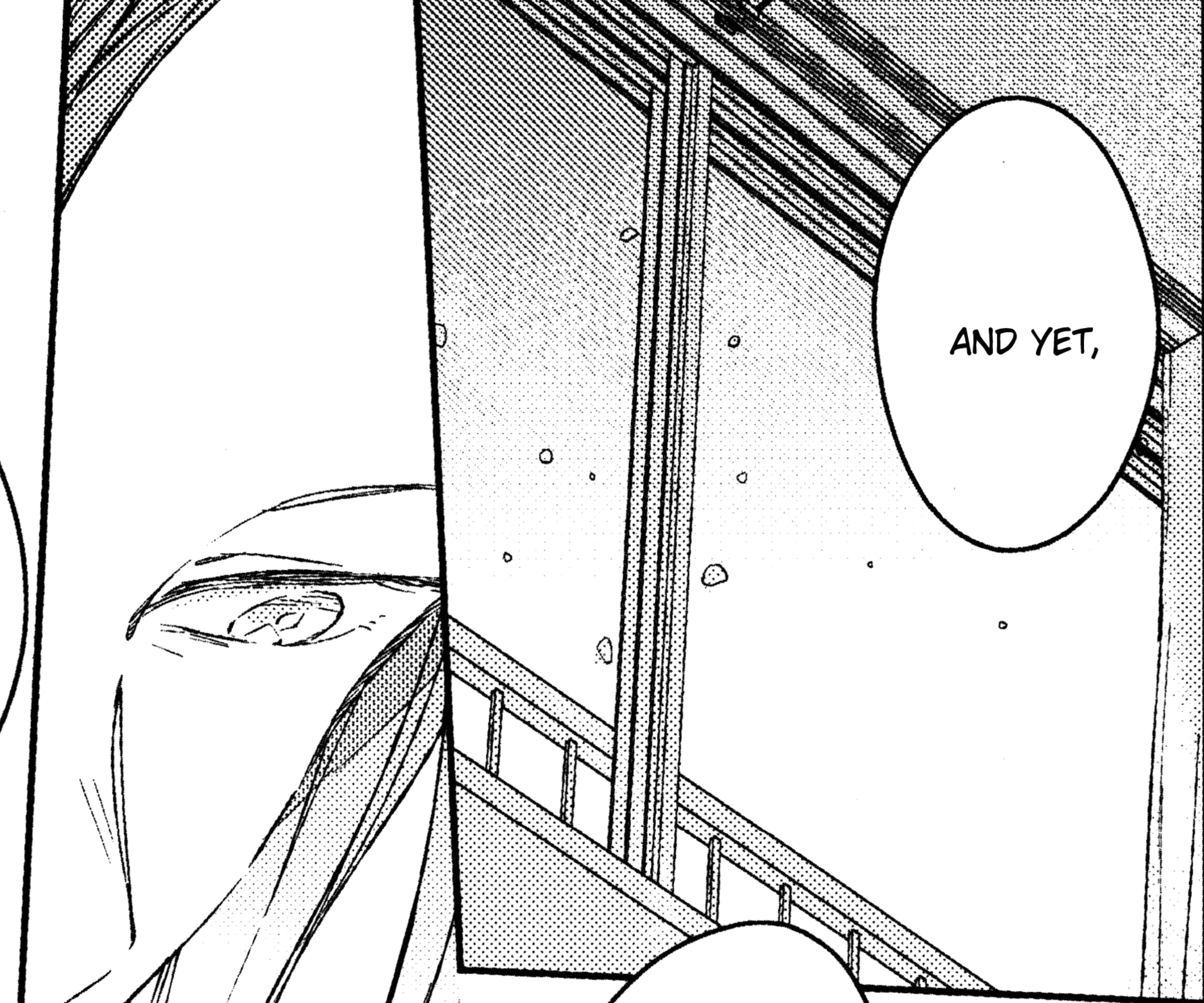
*T/N: A SITUATION WHERE, IF TWO PARTIES IN A
NEGOTIATION REFUSE TO MAKE CONCESSIONS AS
THEIR PRIDE GETS IN THE WAY, EVEN THOUGH IT
WILL HAVE A TRAGIC ENDING.



THAT
YOU WERE

THAT CHILD'S
ANCHOR.

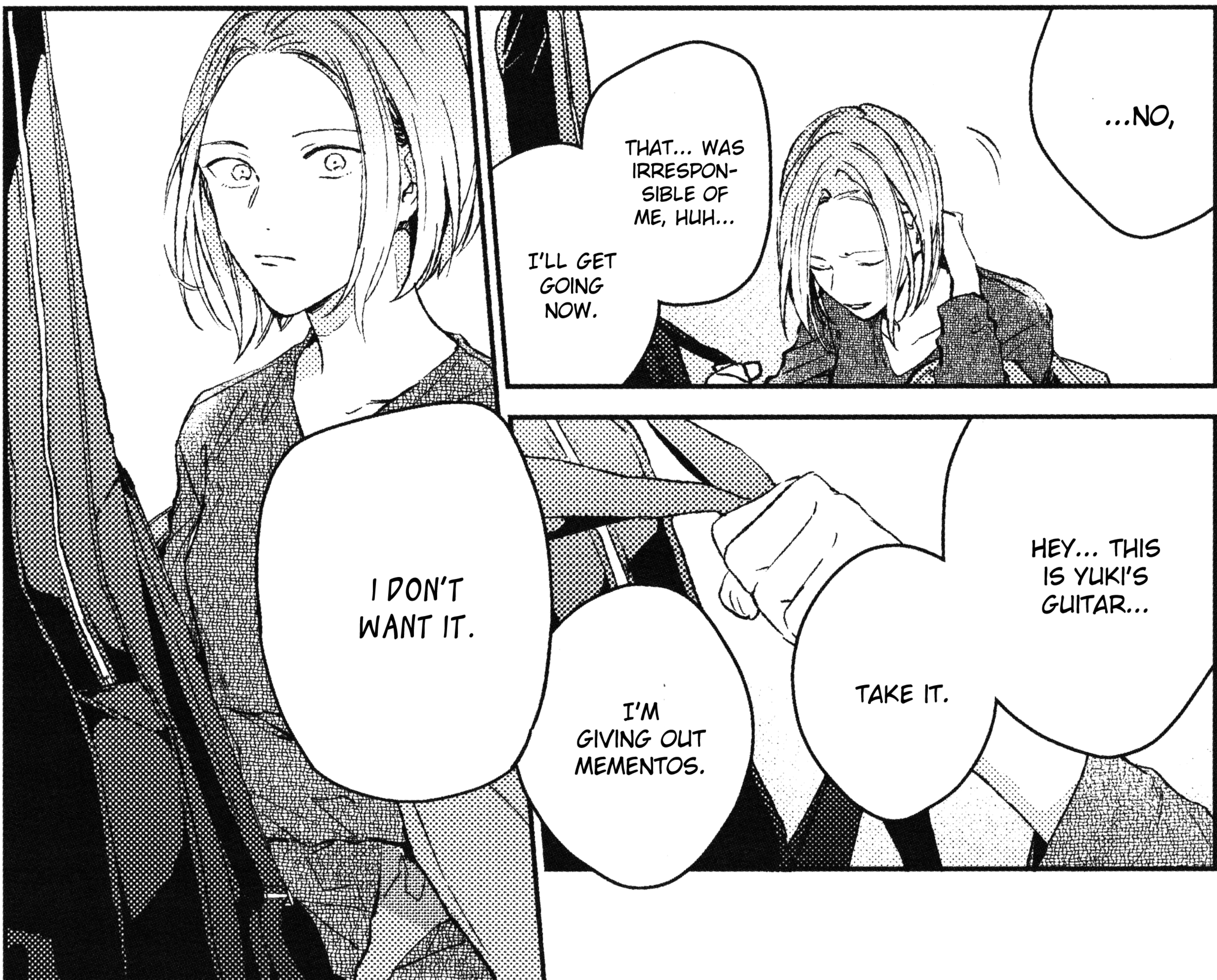
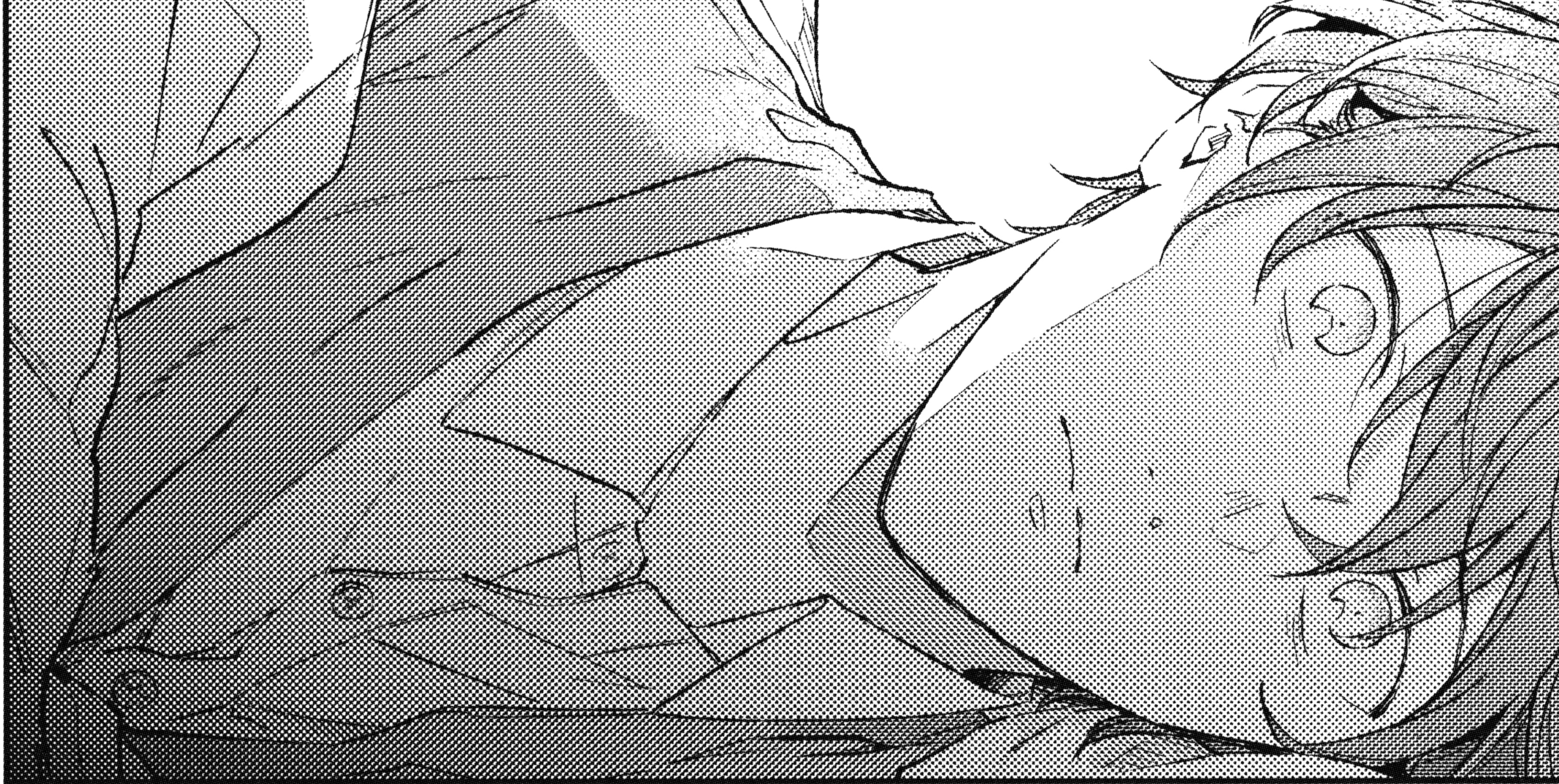
I SELFISHLY
BELIEVED...



AND YET,



MAFLUYU...





IT'S PAINFUL
FOR ME TO
HOLD ONTO
THIS...

.....THAT'S
NOT IT—

SORRY...

I DON'T
WANT IT.



PLEASE...
YOU CARRY IT.*

THIS IS SIMPLY
AN IMPOSITION
ON MY PART...

*T/N: IMPLYING THAT HE CARRY THIS "BURDEN"

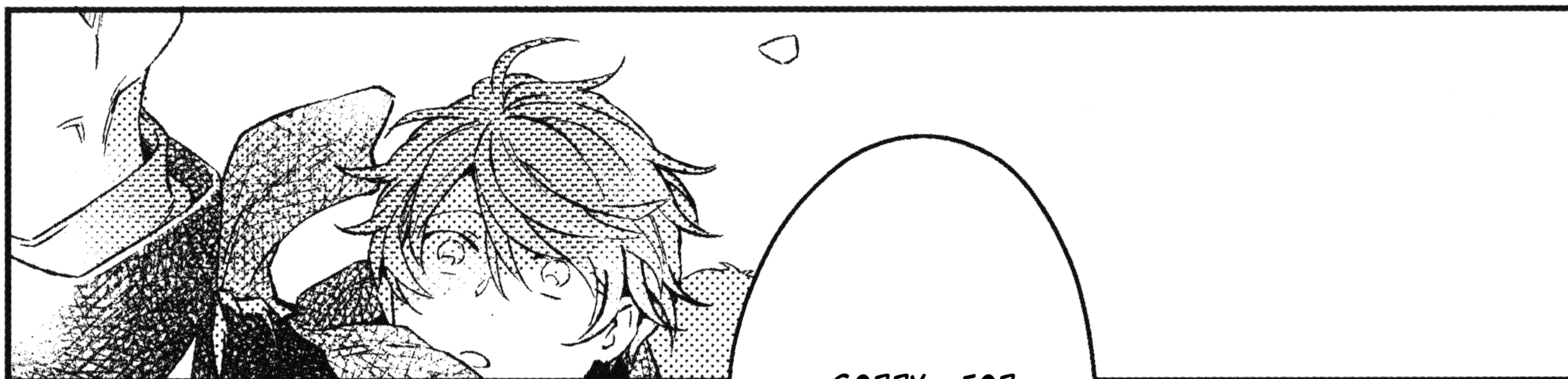
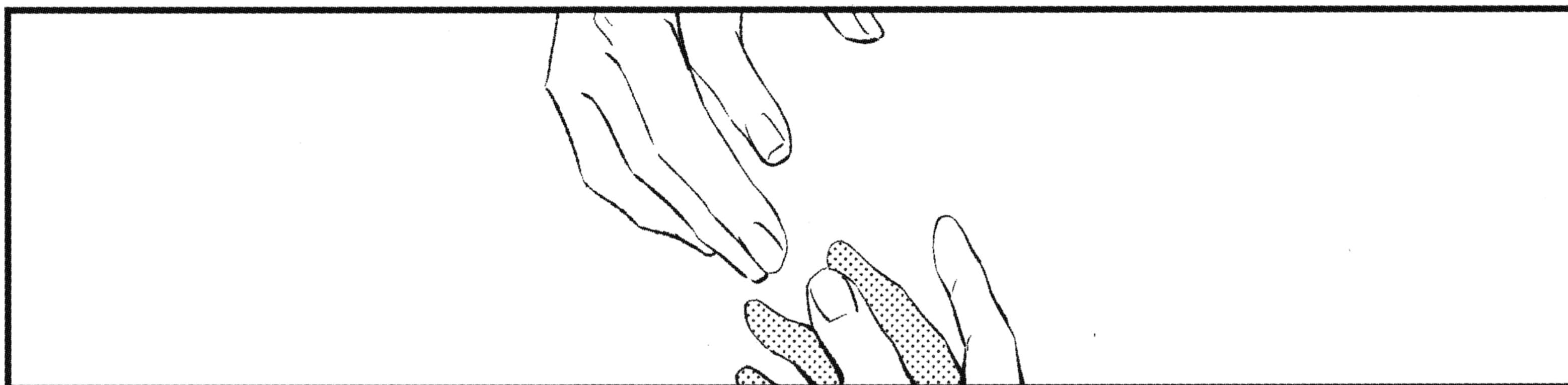


I'M SORRY
WE DO AS
WE PLEASE...

BOTH YUKI
AND I...



FORGIVE
US...



SORRY... FOR
LEAVING YOU
ALL ALONE,

MAFUYU.



To be continued...



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